

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 491

To prohibit the Department of State from imposing a charge or fee for providing passport information to the general public.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 21, 1997

Mr. SAXTON (for himself and Mr. QUINN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Freedom of Passport
5 Information Act of 1997”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION AND REQUIREMENT CONCERNING**
7 **DEPARTMENT OF STATE PASSPORT INFOR-**
8 **MATION SERVICES.**

9 For fiscal year 1998 and for each subsequent fiscal
10 year, the Secretary of State shall provide for a United

1 States passport information telephone inquiry service for
2 the general public which shall be available without charge
3 or fee imposed by the Department of State or any other
4 entity under contract to the Department of State.

